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IN THE CLAIMS

2 1-23 (canceled)

3 24 (original) A method of playing a word-forming game
4 for at least two players, wherein the game has twenty-eight
5 playing pieces, said method comprising the steps of:

- 6 a) aligning the twenty-eight playing pieces,
7 twenty-six in alphabetical order and two "joker
8 star", on a playing field, between one player and
9 an opponent player, so as to form aligned playing
10 pieces;
- 11 b) announcing, by a first player, so as to form an
12 announced first player, a word to be spelled from
13 the aligned playing pieces;
- 14 c) removing, by the announced first player, playing
15 pieces from the aligned playing pieces that spell
16 the word announced, so as to leave remaining
17 aligned playing pieces;
- 18 d) determining, by a next player, if there are
19 sufficient playing pieces remaining in the
20 remaining playing pieces to form another word;
- 21 e) winning game by last player, if answer to step d)
22 is no;
- 23 f) announcing, by the next player, so as to form an
24 announced next player, a word to be spelled from
25 the remaining aligned playing pieces, if answer to
26 step d) is yes;

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- 1 g) removing, by the announced next player, playing
- 2 pieces of the remaining aligned playing pieces that
- 3 spell the word announced, if step f) is carried
- 4 out; and
- 5 h) returning to step d), if step g) is carried out.

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